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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a communications consumer who supports broadband competition.

Please defeat AT&T's effort to stifle competition. Defeat their petition to take away access to critical unbundled network elements. Unbundled elements are critical to fiber deployment. They permit lower prices and great options. AT&T wants to charge more for their services.

AT&T was charging me \$50 a month for just a telephone connection -- and extra for long distance. I switched to Sonic, which gave me both telephone (with no extra charges for long distance in the U.S.) AND internet connection for just \$60 a month. The internet connection is very fast -- much more so than the Comcast I previously had for an extra \$70 a month.

Again, please defeat AT&T's effort to stifle competition.

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